CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1 1.   A method for tuning a speech recognition process, comprising the steps of:

2 (a)   maintaining a database of utterances;

3 (b)   collecting information associated with the utterances in the database utilizing

4   a speech recognition process;

5 (c)   transmitting the utterances in the database to a plurality of users utilizing a

6   network;

7 (d)   receiving transcriptions of the utterances in the database from the users

8   utilizing the network;

9 (e)   tuning the speech recognition process utilizing the information and the

10   transcriptions.

1 2.   The method as recited in claim 1, wherein the network includes the Internet.

1 3.   The method as recited in claim 2, wherein the transcriptions of the utterances

2   are received from the users using a network browser.

1 4.   The method as recited in claim 1, wherein the speech recognition process is

2   tuned by performing experiments based on the information.

1 5.   The method as recited in claim 4, wherein the information includes a

2   recognition result.

1 6.   A computer program product for tuning a speech recognition process,

2   comprising:

3 (a)   computer code for maintaining a database of utterances;

4 (b) computer code for collecting information associated with the utterances in

5   the database utilizing a speech recognition process;

6 (c) computer code for transmitting the utterances in the database to a plurality of

7   users utilizing a network;

8 (d) computer code for receiving transcriptions of the utterances in the database

9   from the users utilizing the network;

10 (e) computer code for tuning the speech recognition process utilizing the

11   information and the transcriptions.

1 7. The computer program product as recited in claim 6, wherein the network

2   includes the Internet.

1 8. The computer program product as recited in claim 7, wherein the

2   transcriptions of the utterances are received from the users using a network

3   browser.

1 9. The computer program product as recited in claim 6, wherein the speech

2   recognition process is tuned by performing experiments based on the

3   information.

1 10. The computer program product as recited in claim 9, wherein the information

2   includes a recognition result.

1 11. A system for tuning a speech recognition process, comprising:

2 (a) logic for maintaining a database of utterances;

3 (b) logic for collecting information associated with the utterances in the database

4   utilizing a speech recognition process;

5 (c) logic for transmitting the utterances in the database to a plurality of users

6   utilizing a network;

7 (d) logic for receiving transcriptions of the utterances in the database from the

8   users utilizing the network;

9 (e) logic for tuning the speech recognition process utilizing the information and

10 the transcriptions.

1 12. The system as recited in claim 11, wherein the network includes the Internet.

1 13. The system as recited in claim 12, wherein the transcriptions of the

2 utterances are received from the users using a network browser.

1 14. The system as recited in claim 11, wherein the speech recognition process is

2 tuned by performing experiments based on the information.

1 15. The system as recited in claim 14, wherein the information includes a

2 recognition result.